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Previously deported alien sentenced to more than 5 years in federal prison

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A 35-year-old Mexican national was sentenced to five years in federal prison for illegally re-entering the U.S. after previously being deported, the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Guillermo Salazar-Robles was sentenced Monday in the Western District of Kentucky for illegally re-entering the U.S. after having been previously deported following an aggravated felony conviction. Honorable Chief Judge John G. Heyburn II sentenced Salazar-Robles to 63 months imprisonment. After he completes his sentence Salazar-Robles will be turned over to ICE custody for deportation to Mexico.

Salazar-Robles had previously been convicted of armed robbery and attempted armed robbery of convenience stores in Cook County, Ill., in August 1994. He also had previous convictions for felony burglary in Laguna Niguel, Calif., in 1991, and several misdemeanor offenses. After serving three years in prison for the armed robbery conviction he was originally deported in 1997.

Salazar-Robles surfaced again in the United States in April 2005 when the Bardstown Police Department contacted ICE in Louisville concerning a suspected illegal alien being questioned in connection with a hit-and-run accident investigation. ICE agents confirmed that Salazar-Robles was an illegal alien and took him into federal custody. Salazar-Robles, who illegally crossed the southwest border after his 1997 deportation, was found guilty of illegal re-entry by a federal judge after a bench trial. Re-entry after deportation is a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Kilmartin, Western District of Kentucky, successfully prosecuted this case.

ICE

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of four integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.